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### ***VIRGINIA'S MINORITY SMALL BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR IS VIRGINIA BEACH ENTREPRENEUR***

#### ***Virginia Winner One of 10 Firms Honored Nationally***

**RICHMOND.** . . Charles Gastón, District Director of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Richmond District Office today announced that Doña Storey, President of Quality Technical Services, Inc. (QTS) headquartered in Virginia Beach has been named Virginia's Minority Small Business Person of the Year.

Ms. Storey, an Asian-American, created QTS to provide a holistic approach to any level of organizational development. As a result the firm is repeatedly selected to manage high profile projects nationwide and has attracted strategic partners in industry. This includes the total management of people and equipment and the launch of or strategic planning for new products, programs, and processes. QTS' customers include Time Warner, JP Morgan Chase, Johnson & Johnson, the Navy, The Army, IRS, SBA, and various state and local governments. Due to the company's ability to continue with existing projects and provide the state with continuity of information, QTS has become a key provider for the state of New York after the events of September 11, 2001.

A participant in SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program, Ms. Storey credits SBA for playing a critical role directing our company to specific opportunities and teaming relationships that have served to support our growth. The SBA's 8(a) Business Development Program provides management and technical assistance for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses and assists its participants with networking and procurement opportunities.

Congressman Randy Forbes will present the award on Monday, September 23 at the Ft. Lee Procurement Fair, Ft. Lee VA. In addition to her state award Ms. Storey has also been honored with the Region III award. She will be vying for national honors and representing Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Delaware, Washington, DC, and Maryland as

well as Virginia at the National Minority Enterprise Development Week ceremonies to be held in Washington, DC the week of September 23 – 27.

The announcement officially kicked off the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual National Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week celebration.

**“Minority businesses are thriving and MED Week is the time to celebrate the successes of those firms,”** District Director Gastón said.

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